

## ABSTRACT

### Method and system for starting up a pipeline

The invention relates to a system for starting up a flowline (16) suitable for conveying hydrocarbons, said flowline (16) being extended over the seabed (12) from a wellhead (10) and terminating at a joint end (17), said joint end (17) being suitable for connection to a subsea riser (18) extended in a catenary, said flowline (16) being able to stretch; said system comprising locking means for fixing said joint end with respect to said seabed (12) for maintaining said flowline (16) in its stretched position.

(Figure 18)